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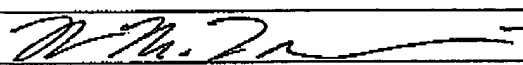
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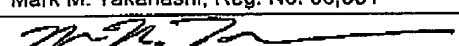
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 1, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper, and amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.